

**Town of Bluefield
Town Council
Minutes
March 13, 2018**

The Bluefield, Virginia Town Council held a regularly scheduled Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall located at 112 Huffard Drive, Bluefield, Virginia.

PRESENT

Don Harris, Mayor
Jimmy Jones, Councilmember
Ron Holt, Councilmember
Chuck Presley, Councilmember
Anglis Trigg Jr., Councilmember
Lee Riffe, Vice-Mayor

ALSO PRESENT

Mike Watson, Town Manager
Billie Roberts, Comm. Dev. Coordinator
Kim Hernandez, Executive Assistant
Matt Freedman, Town Attorney
8 Members of Public
10 Members of Fire Department

ABSENT

Shane Gunter, Police Chief
Lesley Catron, Town Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Pastor Jim Drake, Parkview Baptist Church led the Invocation. Mayor Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Holt made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Jones made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Holt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

CITIZEN REQUESTS & SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Special Presentation: Introduction of new SWCC President & Executive Director – Ginger Branton, Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce

Ms. Branton introduced the new SWCC President & Executive Director Dr. Tommy Wright and stated that he had been with the college since January 8th.

Dr. Wright thanked council for the opportunity and stated that he would like to move forward and have a strong relationship with the Town. He stated that he had spent time in all areas and connected with the community. He asked council if there was anything they needed even if it was asked in the past to let him know. He stated that he currently lived in Cleveland, TN and would remain there until his daughter graduated from high school.

Mayor Harris extended a warm welcome to the area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS & REPORTS

None.

NEW BUSINESS & REPORTS

Wrestling Resolution for 3 GHS Wrestlers, VOTE – Kim Hernandez

Mrs. Hernandez stated that Coach Woodward had brought in some information to recognize 3 wrestlers for their accomplishments. She stated that a copy of the resolutions was in council's packet and that Coach Woodward would attend the next meeting along with the wrestlers if approved.

Mr. Holt made a motion to approve the Resolution for the Wrestlers. Mr. Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Budget Amendment, VOTE

Mr. Watson asked that the following budget amendments be approved.

PURPOSE: Reimbursement to Police Dept. for Narcan Purchase for Overdose Prevention

Revenue		Original Budget	Amended Budget	Change
Line Item				
0400-0413	Misc. Law	<u>\$93,497.97</u>	<u>\$101,597.97</u>	<u>\$8,100.00</u>
	Enforcement	<u>\$93,497.97</u>	<u>\$101,597.97</u>	<u>\$8,100.00</u>

Expenditure		Original Budget	Amended Budget	Change
Line Item				
3110-8106	Grants	<u>\$20,872.39</u>	<u>\$28,972.39</u>	<u>\$8,100.00</u>
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Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the Budget Amendments. Mr. Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Time off Request, VOTE

Mr. Watson stated that throughout the year, he asked council to give extra time off to the employees for the work they do. He stated that he would like to ask for Good Friday off to have a long weekend.

Mr. Trigg made a motion to approve Good Friday off. Mr. Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Planning Commission Member Discussion, POSSIBLE VOTE

Mr. Watson stated that they had discussed the Planning Commission Member during the Work Session. He stated that Town Council had a representative on the board but was not a voting member. He stated that they met on the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m.

Mr. Presley made a motion to appoint Lee Riffe to the position. Mr. Trigg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Trigg had none.

Mr. Presley thanked the Police Department for their good work and stated that the Public Works Department had done a good job scraping the roads.

Mr. Holt asked that before staff purchased anymore narcan to be careful because it had a shelf life. He stated that there were grants out there to get the auto injector and that he could send staff the link to the grant.

Mr. Watson stated that this was paid for 100% through a grant.

Mr. Jones had none.

Mr. Riffe stated that he would like to make a motion to do a PIC Award for Cotton Smith and Otis Mitchell. Mr. Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Riffe stated that they needed to come up with parameters either academically or for sports for resolutions. He stated that there was only one wrestler who won state and they were recognizing three. He stated that the cheerleaders came in 2nd Place at State and they did not receive anything. He asked if they needed to back up and present something to them.

Mr. Holt stated that it was a tremendous achievement.

Mayor Harris asked if he only wanted to recognize the one wrestler.

Mr. Riffe stated that they had already voted to recognize all three and moving forward they should only recognize state champions.

Mr. Presley stated that it needed to be opened up for future discussion.

Mr. Riffe stated that Mr. Woodward did a good job bringing these players forward and the other coaches did not do that.

Mr. Presley suggested they let the high school know what the Town had to offer. He stated that high school student Sam Shoemaker was advancing in the MACC.

Mr. Riffe stated that going forward they needed to look at if they were state champs or runner ups. He stated that Mrs. Roberts post was getting good feedback for the VT student.

Mrs. Roberts stated it was and that when she set it up that it would not allow her to exclude emails. She stated that they could use a fake email but we had to have one to set it up.

Mr. Presley stated that Rhonda Buckner wanted to have an update on abandoned houses.

Mayor Harris stated that he would back up to citizens comments again and stated that he asked for any citizen's comments and no one came forth.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Rhonda Buckner, First Street stated that Mr. Jones told her that he had driven around the neighborhood. She stated that she had received backlash on social media and that people were questioning whether 117 First Street was abandoned or not. She stated that it was her rental house. She asked for an update.

Mr. Watson stated that it was handled through Property Maintenance and there was a state process that they had to go through.

Mr. Jones asked if the drain had been opened up yet.

Mr. Watson stated that they had sent out letters to two homes and the homeowners stated that they would work on them and one owner stated that if they could not fix their house up then they would donate it to the Town. He stated that if that happened then the Town would tear it down. He stated that regarding the drain, he did not know how they were going to keep debris and leaves out of it but it would be put on the schedule to be checked after heavy rains. He stated that one house was given until May or it would be condemned and have to be torn down. He stated that if they came in for a building permit then they had up to 6 months to work on it and the Town could not do anything for those 6 months. He stated that no one was painting houses in this weather and they had to be understanding. He stated that letters had been written and he hoped to see a change in the next few months but reminded everyone that they had a system they had to go through.

Ms. Buckner stated that she appreciated what they were trying to do but there was a white house that had been vacant for 6 years and that was the problem she had. She stated that it had fell through the cracks and all she was doing was trying to clean up her neighborhood.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. Freedman stated that he would do all of the 1st Readings as one motion to authorize him to do the 1st Readings in the back of the room of the listed ordinances.

Mr. Holt made a motion to approve Mr. Freedman to do the 1st Readings of the below ordinances. Mr. Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Freedman stated that the next was a Deed of Easement and the motion would be to accept and authorize the mayor to sign it.

Mr. Holt made a motion to accept and authorize the mayor to sign the below Deed of Easement. Mr. Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ordinance to Amend Section 50-96 of Town Code, 1st Reading – VOTE

ORDINANCE INDEX NO. _____

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE TOWN HALL IN BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA ON THE 27TH DAY OF MARCH, 2018.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, BY AMENDING SECTION 50-96 OF DIVISION 1 (GENERALLY) OF ARTICLE III (LICENSE TAXES) OF CHAPTER 50 (TAXATION) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA that section 50-96 of Division 1 of Article III of Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Bluefield, Virginia is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 50-96. Procedure for obtaining license; penalty for failure to obtain license.

- (a) (1) Unless exempted by law, every person shall annually apply in writing for a license for each business or profession when engaging in a business in this jurisdiction if:
 - a. The person has a definite place of business in this jurisdiction;
 - b. There is no definite place of business anywhere and the person resides in this jurisdiction; or
 - c. There is no definite place of business in this jurisdiction but the person operates amusement machines or is classified as an itinerant merchant, peddler, carnival, circus, or contractor subject to § 58.1-3715 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended.
- (2) A separate license shall be required for each definite place of business and for each business.
- (3) A person engaged in two or more businesses or professions carried on at the same place of business may elect to obtain one license for all such businesses and professions if all the following criteria are satisfied:
 - a. Each business or profession is subject to licensure at the location and has satisfied all requirements imposed by state law or other provisions of the ordinances of this jurisdiction;
 - b. All of the businesses or professions are subject to the same tax rate, or, if subject to different tax rates, the licensee agrees to be taxed on all businesses and professions at the highest tax rate; and
 - c. The tax payer agrees to supply such information as the town treasurer may require concerning the nature of the several businesses and their gross receipts.
- (b) Upon receipt of such written application, the town treasurer shall furnish license application forms in triplicate, which forms shall state the following:
 - (1) The definite place or house where the business, employment, or profession is to be prosecuted;

- (2) The name and residence address of the applicant;
 - (3) Whether the applicant is an individual, a firm or a corporation, whether domestic or foreign, and if foreign, the date of its authority to do business in the state as issued by the state corporation commission;
 - (4) The nature of the business, employment or profession for which the applicant for a license is made;
 - (5) The number of years the applicant has prosecuted in this town such a business, employment or profession in appropriate cases, the amount of gross receipts of such business, profession, trade or occupation for the last preceding year, except as in the case of beginning business as defined in this article; and
 - (6) Such other information as may be required by the town treasurer.
- (c) Every applicant for a license shall have incorporated therein or annexed thereto the affidavit of the applicant to the effect that the statements contained in the application are true:
- (1) If the applicant is an individual, the affidavit must be made by him;
 - (2) If the applicant is a firm, by one of the members; and
 - (3) If the applicant is a corporation, by the officer having knowledge of the correctness of the statements made in the application.
- (d) Upon the receipt of every application for a license, the town treasurer, if satisfied of its correctness, shall compute the tax and shall issue a license to the applicant to prosecute the business, employment, or profession named in the application. No license issued by the town treasurer shall be valid nor have any legal effect unless and until the tax prescribed by this article is paid to the town treasurer; proof of such payment shall appear on the face of the license. No license issued by the town treasurer shall be valid nor have any legal effect for a period greater than one year from the issue date. The town treasurer shall retain two copies of the completed license application form and furnish the applicant with the original, the license being noted thereon.
- (e) The town treasurer shall furnish the license with such tag, button or sign as may be appropriate for display as evidence that a valid license has been issued.
- (f) A separate license shall be obtained by each member of a firm or company of persons practicing any profession or calling which is regulated by the laws of the state for practicing of which professions or calling a license is required by this article.
- (g) It shall be unlawful for any individual, person, business, or entity, who is not otherwise exempted by law, to transact, conduct, or engage in any activity for which a license tax is required under this article without first obtaining a valid license from the town treasurer, or after having obtained the necessary license, to continue to do so for longer than one month after the expiration thereof.
- (1) A violation of this subsection shall constitute a Class 3 misdemeanor;
 - (2) Each day a violation hereunder occurs or continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense; and
 - (3) A conviction for such offense shall not relieve any person from the payment of any license tax required by this article.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA that the Council of the Town of Bluefield, Virginia adopts this ordinance on this 27th day of March, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA that this ordinance shall be effective on the 27th day of April, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA that the Council of the Town of Bluefield, Virginia authorizes Donald R. Harris, the Mayor of the Town of Bluefield, Virginia, to execute this ordinance on behalf of said Council.

IT IS SO ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA on this 27th day of March, 2018.

PUBLIC HEARING:	03/13/2018
FIRST READING:	03/13/2018
SECOND READING:	03/27/2018
ADOPTION DATE:	03/27/2018
EFFECTIVE DATE:	04/27/2018
FINAL RECORDED VOTE:	_____
MEMBERS PRESENT:	_____
MEMBERS ABSENT:	_____
RESULT OF VOTE:	
	AYES NAYES ABSTENTIONS

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA

BY: _____ DATE _____
DONALD R. HARRIS, MAYOR
TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, A VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

ATTEST:

LESLEY CATRON, TOWN CLERK DATE
TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, A VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

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ATTEST:

LESLEY CATRON, TOWN CLERK DATE _____
TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, A VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Council,

As requested, we have prepared two (2) ordinances to fulfill your desire of no longer requiring Town of Bluefield residents to maintain license decals on their respective vehicles.

The substance of the ordinances are as follows:

1. Sections 50-214 and 50-215 of the Code of Ordinances will be amended:

CURRENTLY:

Sec. 50-214. Licensing of tractor-trailer, etc., combination.

Under this article, in the case of a combination of a tractor-trailer or tractor-semitrailer, each unit constituting a part of such combination shall be licensed as a separate vehicle and separate license decals shall be issued therefor.
(Code 1984, § 16-119)

Sec. 50-215. Term and procuring of license decals.

For any motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailer owned by any resident of the town and intended to be operated over the streets of the town a permanent license decal shall be issued for that motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer for a fee of \$5.00. The tax imposed by section 50-212 shall be assessed and paid on an annual basis as an addition to the personal property taxes on said motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer.
(Code 1984, § 16-120; Ord. 2-11-2014(3))

AMENDED:

Sec. 50-214. Licensing of tractor-trailer, etc., combination.

Under this article, in the case of a combination of a tractor-trailer or tractor-semitrailer, each unit constituting a part of such combination shall be licensed as a separate vehicle.

Sec. 50-215. Tax paid annually; In addition to personal property tax.

The tax imposed by section 50-212 shall be assessed and paid on an annual basis as an addition to the personal property taxes on a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer.

2. Sections 50-217 and 50-218 of the Code of Ordinances will be repealed.

Sec. 50-217. License decal.

A license decal shall be furnished by the town treasurer to each licensee, which decal shall be displayed on the right front windshield of the licensed vehicle. Failure to properly display a license shall subject the owner of the vehicle to the same penalty as the failure to obtain the license.
(Code 1984, § 16-122; Ord. of 2-11-2014(4))

Sec. 50-218. Duplicate license decal.

A duplicate license decal shall be issued upon return of portion of old decal showing number along with the original receipt and information of new vehicle and upon payment of a \$2.00 transfer fee to the town treasurer. If decal is lost or proof of purchase previously stated is not satisfied then the duplicate decal will be \$10.00.
(Code 1984, § 16-123; Ord. of 10-10-2005)

Sincerely,

Matt

Ordinance to Amend Sections 50-214 & 50-215 of Town Code, 1st Reading – VOTE

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 50-214 AND 50-215 OF ARTICLE V (MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAX) OF CHAPTER 50 (TAXATION) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA that sections 50-214 and 50-215 of Article V of Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Bluefield, Virginia are hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 50-214. Licensing of tractor-trailer, etc., combination.

Under this article, in the case of a combination of a tractor-trailer or tractor-semitrailer, each unit constituting a part of such combination shall be licensed as a separate vehicle.

Sec. 50-215. Tax paid annually; In addition to personal property tax.

The tax imposed by section 50-212 shall be assessed and paid on an annual basis as an addition to the personal property taxes on a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer.

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MEMBERS ABSENT:	_____		
RESULT OF VOTE:	_____	_____	_____
	AYES	NAYES	ABSTENTIONS

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DONALD R. HARRIS, MAYOR
TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, A VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

ATTEST:

LESLEY CATRON, TOWN CLERK DATE _____
TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, A VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Ordinance to Repeal Sections 50-217 & 50-218 of Town Code, 1st Reading – VOTE

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AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL, BY REPEALING SECTIONS 50-217 AND 50-218 OF ARTICLE V (MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAX) OF CHAPTER 50 (TAXATION) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLUEFIELD, VIRGINIA that sections 50-217 and 50-218 of Article V of Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Bluefield, Virginia are hereby repealed.

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LESLEY CATRON, TOWN CLERK DATE
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Deed of Easement: Betty Watson Drainage Easement, VOTE (Motion to Accept Deed and Interest and to Authorize Mayor to Execute Deed)

{Attached at the end of the minutes}

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Holt made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to *Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711-A-1.1* and Mrs. Hernandez read:

Discussion, consideration or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of specific public officers, appointees or employees of any public body; and evaluation of performance of departments.

Councilmember Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

Danny Evans entered into Executive Session at 8:11 p.m.

Councilmember Holt made a motion to enter out of Executive Session. Councilmember Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilmember Holt made a motion to adopt the following resolution certifying the Executive Session and Mrs. Hernandez read:

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Bluefield, Virginia has convened an executive meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712-D of The Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Town Council of Bluefield, Virginia that such session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of Bluefield, Virginia hereby certifies that, to the best of each members knowledge, (I) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Town Council.

Adopted this 13th day of March.

Councilmember Presley seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilmember Trigg:	Yes
Councilmember Presley:	Yes
Councilmember Holt:	Yes
Mayor Harris:	Yes
Councilmember Jones:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Riffe:	Yes

The motion passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Riffe made a motion to appoint Danny Evans as the new Fire Chief. Mr. Holt seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilmember Trigg:	Yes
Councilmember Presley:	Yes
Councilmember Holt:	Yes
Mayor Harris:	Yes
Councilmember Jones:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Riffe:	Yes

The motion passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote.

Mayor Harris expressed his gratitude to all of the Volunteer Fire Department for all they did and stated that they would be in good hands with Danny.

Mr. Trigg stated that they did an excellent job.

Mr. Presley stated that Danny would do a good job.

Mr. Holt stated that he bragged on the Fire Department and that they were the best in Bluefield, Virginia and in the State.

Mr. Jones stated that they were the best around and appreciated them.

Mr. Riffe stated that his fellow councilmembers had summed it up and they did what they needed to do. He stated Good Luck to Danny.

Mr. Watson thanked them for what they did.

Mr. Freedman congratulated Danny.

ADJOURN

Mr. Holt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. Mr. Presley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Don Harris, Mayor

Lesley Catron, Town Clerk